

Lebanon Valley College



High-Impact Experiences

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Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

As we embark on the second Strategic Plan of my presidency, one of its many goals is to focus on “high-impact experiences”—opportunities that help to shape our students for vital jobs in the real world. Our overarching goal is to ensure Lebanon Valley College’s place as **the best regional liberal arts and pre-professional college in Pennsylvania.**

In this issue of the *President’s Report*, we share some of the many exciting things that are occurring on campus. You will meet students, faculty, and alumni who are part of these high-impact experiences; through internships and internship-like events, independent studies, community service opportunities, study abroad, and capstone courses.

Student-faculty research is no longer restricted to the sciences. Students across the disciplines are conducting research, making professional presentations, and publishing in a wide array of journals. In these pages, you will read about the students of Dr. Neil Perry, assistant professor of economics, who are completing a carbon footprint inventory for the College. They are also doing research for three local communities that are trying to reduce their carbon footprints.

Maria Jeannette ’09 is among the leaders of the College’s new Task Force on Sustainability. Already she is seeing improvements in LVC’s efforts to recycle, reduce energy consumption, and minimize food waste.

Monica Johnson D’09 describes how the personal attention she receives from her coaches and professors has led her to become a well-rounded student-athlete and community volunteer at the same time that she is earning a doctoral degree in the rigorous six-year Physical Therapy Program. Monica was a star member of the women’s basketball team during the College’s most successful era in the sport. Along the way, she has been an active volunteer with the local Special Olympics and YMCA.

Success stories like hers are not possible without the necessary tools. Dr. Dennis Sweigart ’63, LVC professor of music, wants all keyboard students to have the chance to learn and perform on the world’s best pianos. Therefore, he created an endowment to lay the foundation for purchasing Steinway pianos for the College. Last fall, support came by virtue of a \$100,000 gift. Through the efforts of LVC Trustee Daniel K. Meyer, M.D., ’81, funding was obtained from the Otto Haas Charitable Trust #2 to purchase a new Steinway concert grand piano for Lutz Hall.

In these difficult economic times, a major goal of the strategic plan is to establish a price structure for an LVC education that is fair and affordable for students and their families. Our College is annually recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as a “Best Value” institution and will continue to work toward achieving this distinction each year. LVC’s nationally recognized scholarship program provides scholarships worth as much as 50 percent off the value of tuition for those



who perform well academically in high school. Katherine Dunnick '11 and Jennifer Dunnick '09 are siblings whose late father, Robert Dunnick '72, laid the path for their LVC experience. Katherine will be the beneficiary of the College's newest financial incentive. Beginning in fall 2009, children of alumni will automatically receive \$2,500 per year, for a total of \$10,000 over four years.

Jennifer expects to graduate this spring and pursue a career in research and medicine. Although she is graduating too soon to take advantage of the newly increased Children of Alumni Award, she has benefitted greatly from another high-impact experience at LVC—studying abroad. Her choice was LVC's New Zealand program. Jill Russell, LVC director of study abroad, has advised almost 600 students since 2001 who have traveled abroad through LVC's international programs. Meet her in these pages.

As noted in the fall *Valley*, the Flying Dutchman, who recently reappeared on campus, isn't the only athletic tradition to be revived at LVC—lacrosse is back. After a 20-year hiatus for the sport, the College is resuming both men's and women's lacrosse in the spring of 2010. John Haus, former head coach of the University of North Carolina and the Johns Hopkins University men's teams, was named as head coach of the LVC program. Haus, who also led Washington College to the 1988 NCAA Division III Championship, will oversee the re-introduction of both the men's and women's programs. A women's coach will be announced later this year.

Dale Oehler '75, for one, is excited about the return of lacrosse. A two-time Middle Atlantic Conference all-conference honoree, Oehler used the skills and discipline he developed as a lacrosse player to achieve success in his personal and professional life. Now senior vice president for client services at Time Warner Retail, the largest distributor of magazines in the world, Oehler has found lacrosse to be a way to make friends, exercise, and inspire young athletes.

Despite the economic downturn around the world, it has been a year of many successes at LVC. But as we move forward, we must first honor those special people who have died after providing us with a great foundation in these challenging times.

David C. Evans, former career planning and placement director, 22 years

The Rev. Dr. Thomas W. Guinivan '39, H'66, trustee emeritus, 40 years

Dr. George "Rinso" Marquette '48, vice president emeritus for student affairs, 39 years

Dr. Joerg W.P. Mayer, professor emeritus of mathematical sciences, 27 years

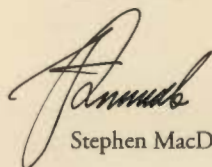
Howard A. "Tony" Neidig '43, H'04, professor emeritus of chemistry, 37 years

Dr. Agnes M. Boyle O'Donnell, professor emerita of English, 25 years

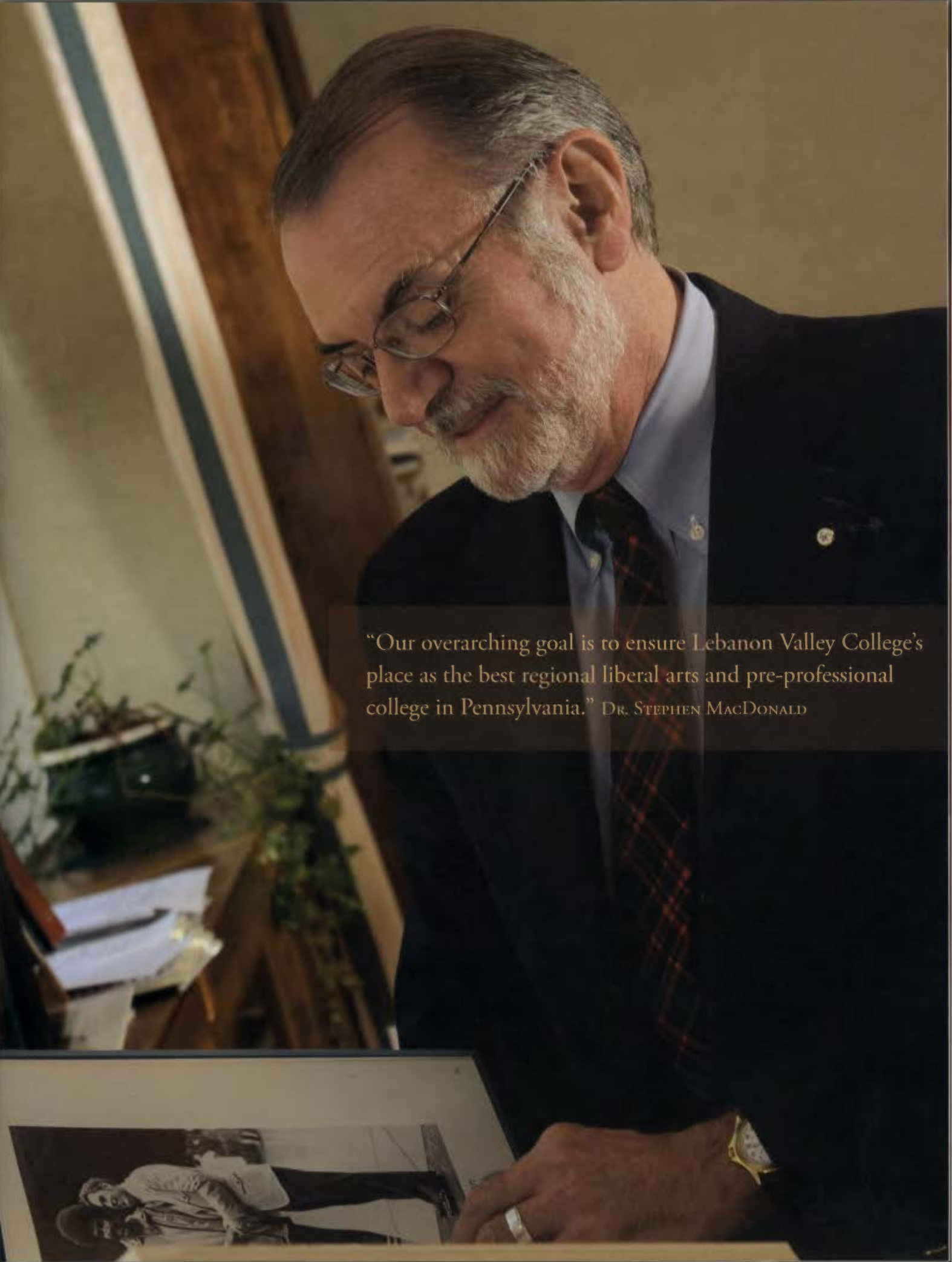
Dr. E.D. "Bill" Williams Jr. P'76, H'88, trustee emeritus, 37 years

LVC is a not quite the same without the guidance and wisdom of these seven friends who provided the College with more than 225 years of service as faculty, administrators, and trustees. They will be missed.


Best wishes,



Stephen MacDonald



“Our overarching goal is to ensure Lebanon Valley College’s place as the best regional liberal arts and pre-professional college in Pennsylvania.” DR. STEPHEN MACDONALD

A man with glasses and a dark suit stands in a dimly lit industrial or laboratory setting. He is smiling and has his hands in his pockets. Behind him is a large, complex piece of machinery with various pipes, valves, and a cylindrical component with a mesh screen. The lighting is dramatic, with strong highlights and deep shadows.

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DR. NEIL PERRY

Carbon Footprints

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hen Assistant Professor of Economics Dr. Neil Perry wanted to teach his *Energy Colloquium* seminar students about energy use in our society, he had them design and execute a study to determine LVC's carbon footprint. "I thought an energy audit would be the best way for the students to learn how we use energy," says Perry. "They would look at our carbon footprint through our energy use on campus. Not only would they provide a service to the College, but they'd also get a good understanding of how energy is used. It was an excellent learning tool for us."

In the process, the students may have learned as much about themselves as they did about their school. "Suddenly, the work you're doing is for something more than just a grade," says economics major Paul Hilbert '09. "Having that purpose makes the work much more meaningful. Now I know I'm capable of accomplishing something beyond the typical academic sphere."

What did the students discover? "That we're doing about as well as other similar schools, but there are certainly things we can do to improve," notes Perry, who says the idea for the project grew out of LVC's involvement with the Pennsylvania Environmental

Resource Consortium, a group of 57 Pennsylvania colleges working to

"green" their campuses. "We're improving recycling now on campus.

We need to tighten up some of the buildings so less energy is being released outside." Once the project is complete, the team will make recommendations to LVC's administration for ways to further reduce energy use on campus.

Equally valuable for students, Perry says, was the opportunity to conduct research as undergraduates. "It certainly gives the students a better understanding of their disciplines. More than that, it gives them a different sense of self. They communicate with professors, and don't necessarily look at themselves as students. While it also looks good on a résumé, the main thing is the sense of satisfaction they get from contributing to something that's larger and broader than their own grades."

In coming months, Perry and his team plan to take their carbon-footprint measuring skills off campus. They've applied for a grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection to perform carbon inventories of the neighboring municipalities of Palmyra and North and South Londonderry townships. Perry looks forward to giving his research team another opportunity to broaden their horizons in ways that benefit their community—and this time, they'll earn more than academic credit.



Student-Athlete

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hile she was still a student at Randallstown High School in Maryland, Monica Johnson D'09 set her sights on LVC. Her interest was piqued after a fellow varsity basketball player two years older was recruited to play for the Flying Dutchmen. "I followed her career while I was still in high school," says Johnson, who wanted to play ball and prepare for medical school. "A phone call to the basketball coach and admission counselor was all it took to get the ball rolling," she says.

After six action-packed years on the court and in the classroom, this student-athlete earns her doctorate in physical therapy this spring. "I have always wanted to be a doctor. That's why I am at LVC," says Johnson, who played basketball as an undergraduate, first as a starter, and later as a team captain and two-time MVP during one of the Dutchmen's most successful sports eras.

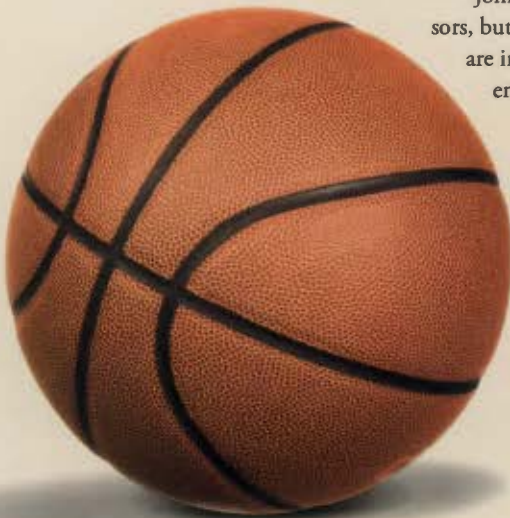
During her sophomore year, LVC's new Physical Therapy Program caught the all-star's attention. "I liked the fact that I could easily transition from my undergraduate degree to my graduate school degree, avoiding the stressful process of applying to a separate graduate school," she says. She also found time to volunteer in the community. "With my basketball teammates, I formed a relationship with the Special Olympics of Lebanon," she says, providing sports clinics and team meet-and-greet sessions to inspire younger athletes. The women's basketball team also volunteered for several farm clean-up projects, and she became a volunteer basketball coach at the local YMCA.

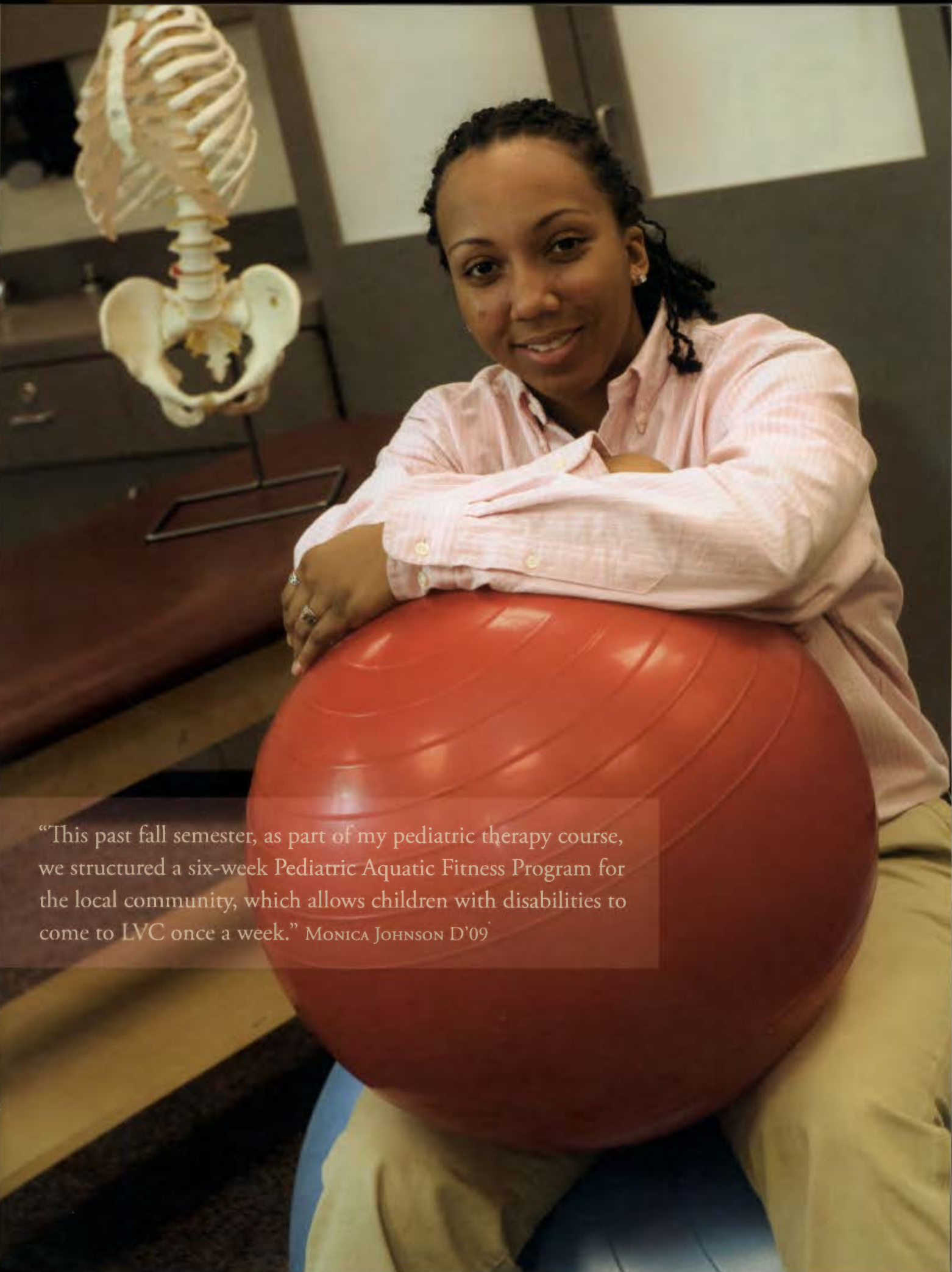
Despite her intensive schedule, Johnson continues to give back to the community. "This past fall semester, as part of my pediatric therapy course, we structured a six-week Pediatric Aquatic Fitness Program for the local community, which allows children with disabilities to come to LVC once a week."

Johnson admits she's learned valuable lessons not only from her professors, but also during her days in the gym. "I think extracurricular activities are important for forming those memories that make the college experience a special one," she says.

It's a lesson Johnson plans on taking with her after graduation. "I look forward to being a successful physical therapist. I want to excel in the profession and have my professors look at my accomplishments and be proud to say that they taught me," she says. But does that mean the soon-to-be physical therapist will be giving up hoops? Hardly.

"I always tell people, 'I play basketball because I love to do it for fun.' But I didn't come to college to major in it," says Johnson.



A woman with dark hair, wearing a pink and white striped shirt, is sitting on a large red exercise ball. She is smiling and looking towards the camera. In the background, there is a model of a human skeleton, specifically the ribcage and pelvis, mounted on a stand. The setting appears to be a classroom or a therapy room.

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World Class Experience

In her eight years as the advisor and now director of the LVC Study Abroad Program, Jill Russell has overseen the life-altering experiences of almost 600 students. Each, she says, returns more independent, confident, and globally aware.

"Many of our students heading abroad have never flown. After LVC, if asked to fly, they can scratch 'first-flight jitters' from their concerns. They have already done it—perhaps halfway around the world to Australia or New Zealand. Additionally, just navigating a train in Italy or a hiking trail on a glacier in New Zealand provides entirely new skill sets," notes Russell. After the challenge of travel itself, the next big adjustment is, she says, learning to live without the electronic communication that permeates college life in the States. Because Internet access is limited, students adapt to far less electronic contact. In time, she notes, they savor the absence of 24/7 technology. One student, referring to the constant cell phone conversations and instant messaging of life back home, told Russell, "How nice it was to unload the GPS on my back. I wasn't able to be 'found' every second of the day."

Of course, students do not study abroad so they can fly or free themselves from technology. Instead, they want a new cultural experience. Once abroad, their experiences often make them evaluate their American values. Students, Russell notes, appreciate all America offers, but can return questioning the difference between needs and wants. "I was very moved to hear that two students, who studied abroad in spring 2008, came home and gave half the

clothing in their closets to charity. They survived for four months with only three pairs of jeans. Why did they need 12 pairs to bring back to LVC for the fall semester?"

After hearing about their children navigating the tube in London or speaking in a foreign language, Russell says that "parents sometimes get so excited they end up visiting their children abroad." "I make sure our students understand their courage to go abroad gives both visiting and non-visiting parents new life experiences through them. How great is that?" Occasionally, a student can even study in the town from which their family hails. One student's experience included discovering a cemetery filled with her ancestors, meeting relatives, and learning how much she resembled an overseas family member.

In addition to foreign connections, students make American friends, too. "Some professionals in the field of international education frown on American students befriending compatriots while abroad. Not me. Our students will find jobs in which they must interact with people from across the U.S." One current faculty member met his wife, a fellow American, during a semester abroad. "Now I'm not saying romance is guaranteed, but hey, it's possible," Russell says, laughing.

Romance or no romance, studying abroad leads to all kinds of opportunities. "We encourage our students to list the study-abroad experience on their résumés. This alerts potential employers that the student is outgoing, self-confident, independent, and a passport-holder." One student, while overseas, was interviewed by phone for an internship back in the States. Because the employer knew how much the student would gain from his experience abroad, he offered the internship on the spot. Another, when asked a tricky question during a medical school interview, shared stories from her time abroad. A lively discussion ensued as committee members shared their experiences. The student relaxed, aced the interview, and eventually attended that medical school.



Key Notes

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hen Dennis Sweigart first came to Lebanon Valley College as a freshman from Reinholds in 1959, jazz was banned on campus and wouldn't be taught or encouraged for more than another decade. He studied classical piano in the long-gone Engle Hall. Currently a full professor of music, Dr. Dennis Sweigart '63 has been teaching piano, piano collaboration, keyboard harmony, piano literature, piano pedagogy, and form and analysis since 1972—two years before Blair Music Center opened.

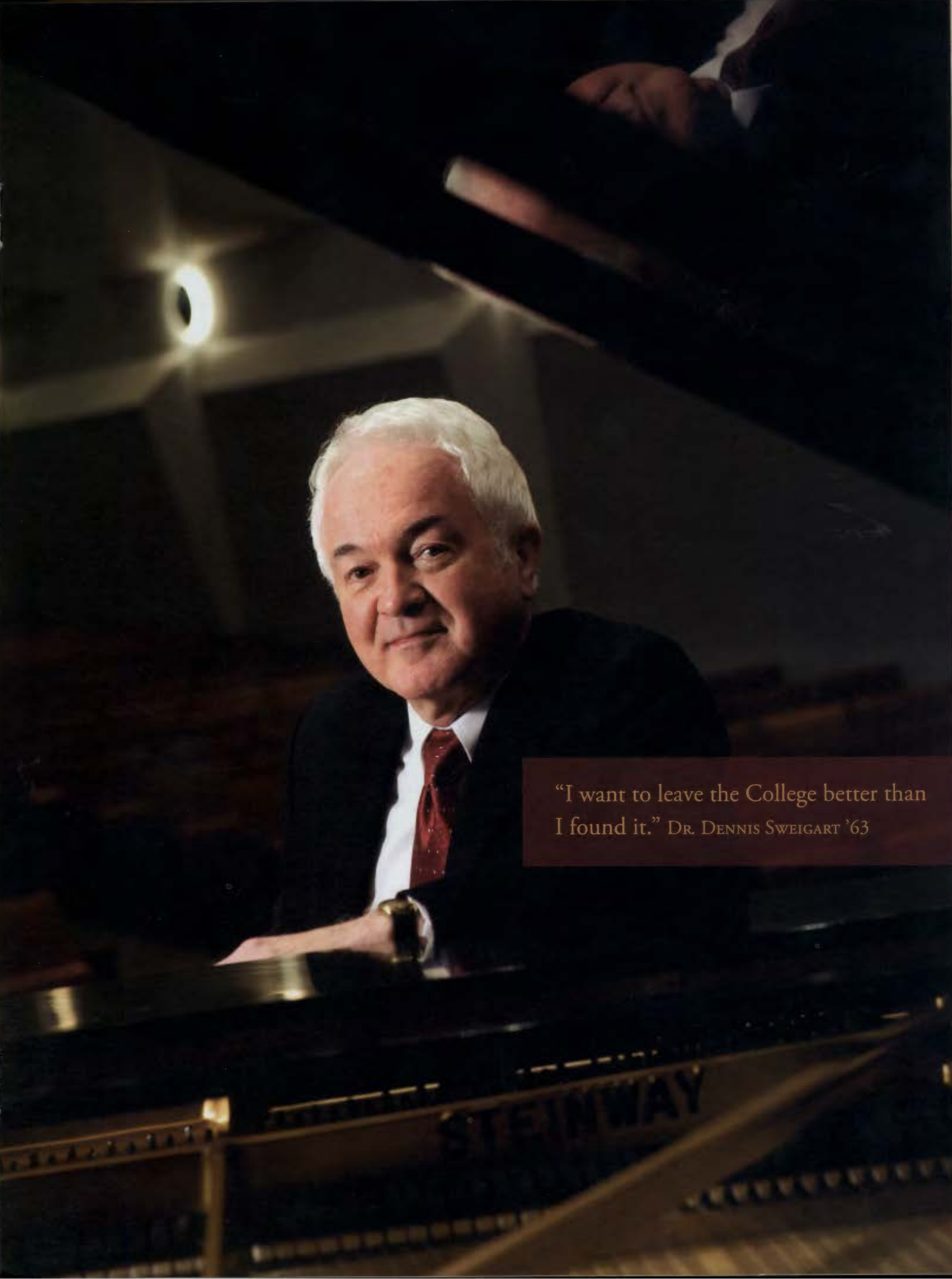
He's seen a lot of changes over the decades, but now, as he contemplates retirement, he's looking forward to more than his own future. "I want to leave the College better than I found it," he says. Sweigart has noticed that the piano students he teaches today are increasingly talented and committed. He wants to ensure that the instruments they play are of the highest quality and well maintained. He wants to guarantee that the best, most talented high school pianists who audition here will have no reason to go elsewhere. After all, Lebanon Valley College is renowned for its Music Department. "The faculty and programs are excellent—by all accounts—and this is the best faculty that I've seen as long as I've been here." LVC's excellent piano faculty and distinguished visiting artists also deserve the best concert pianos, Sweigart believes.




Sweigart knew his plan to endow an instrument repair and replacement fund would be costly—at least a million dollars. And he knew that he could provide only the seed money. But this dapper, soft-spoken man is also a betting man. He is betting that at least some of the race horses he shares ownership in will lead to more big payoffs at the track. He is betting that he can play Beethoven's *Emperor Concerto* from memory March 15 with the LVC Symphony Orchestra. And a year ago, he bet the time was right to make a gift of a certain stock to LVC for the seed money for what has become The Steinway Endowment Fund. He hoped these instruments could be Steinways, prized as the most beautiful and reliable pianos in the world—the only pianos that actually become more valuable as the years go by. As others learned of his idea, their enthusiasm grew. Through the efforts of LVC Trustee Daniel K. Meyer, M.D., '81, funding was obtained last fall from the Otto Haas Charitable Trust #2 to purchase a new Steinway concert grand piano for Lutz Hall.

Beginning in fall 2009, the Steinway will be put to good use as the College has established the first Distinguished Artist Series. The Series will bring to campus national and international performance artists for public concerts or presentations in each academic year. Thanks in large part to Sweigart and Meyer, the inaugural focus will be on pianists performing on the College's new Steinway D in Lutz Hall of Blair Music Center.



A photograph of Dr. Dennis Sweigart, an older man with white hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and red tie. He is seated at a Steinway grand piano, looking towards the camera with a slight smile. The piano is dark wood, and the brand name "STEINWAY" is visible on the side. The background is dark and out of focus, with a bright light source creating a lens flare effect. A quote is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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MARIA JEANNETTE '09

Environmentally Sound

“I’ve been interested in environmental issues for as long as I can remember,” says Maria N. Jeannette, a 21-year-old LVC senior from Tullytown, and one of the most active environmentalists on campus. As an officer with the College’s newly appointed Task Force on Sustainability and a member of the College’s environmental group S.A.F.E. (Student Action for Earth), Jeannette hopes to reduce LVC’s carbon footprint and educate everyone at the Valley about the benefits of “going green.”

“Energy consumption definitely has a huge impact on college campuses,” she says, “even smaller ones like LVC. The same is true about the amount of water we consume and the amount of waste we produce.” The eco-conscious English major has not only been keeping an eye on the school’s recycling program, but she also has been monitoring food offerings in the College dining rooms and eyeing the types of packaging that go in and out of campus.

Lately, Jeannette says the campus has been making significant strides in “going green.” Although recycling bins have been available in campus offices for years, these bins are now also available at all campus sporting events, parties, and picnics. Jeannette, along with Gregory Krikorian, vice president of student affairs, and Don Santostefano, senior director of facilities management, has submitted a list of suggestions that would make the campus even greener, a goal she says would not only help save the environment, but also save money.

“If there is something we can do to substantially reduce our negative impact, why wouldn’t we try to do that? Even the smallest efforts can all add up, like setting printers to print on both sides of the paper or using recycled paper,” says Jeannette. “Ride a bike or walk whenever possible. If you need to drive, try to carpool.” She also advocates unplugging appliances and cell phone chargers when not in use, and turning off unnecessary lights. “There is a common misconception that going green is difficult. In truth, it’s rather simple. For example, you can decide to buy food from a local, organic farm.”

Last year, she took a class scheduled as part of the College’s *Energy Colloquium* and was inspired to dig deeper into issues related to energy, recycling, and reducing waste. “Prior to that class, I never realized the severity of our energy dependency or how oil fuels so many of our decisions on a national level,” she says. “Taking the class was the best thing I ever could have done.”



LAX is Back

As senior vice president for the client group at Time Warner Retail, the largest distributor of magazines in the world, Dale Oehler '75 can tell you exactly what makes him enthusiastic about his career. "I like that every day is different—nothing is routine. I like the challenge." He clearly thrives on the competition, camaraderie, and teamwork necessary to carve out a market share for the more than 600 magazines he oversees in the United States and around the world. Oehler's team markets magazines at more than 120,000 retail outlets in the United States alone.

Oehler's career provides many perks, but the one he appreciates most right now is flex time, so he can make the 80-mile commute home to the New Jersey shore in time to coach youth lacrosse. When he's not traveling, he is at his desk at 6:30 each morning to accommodate his 11-month coaching schedule.


Through sports, including his four years as a starter on LVC's lacrosse team in the early 1970s, Oehler says, "You learn how to lead, manage time, focus, and be much more disciplined. And on the flip side, you learn how to adapt to disappointment, and in some subtle ways, that helps you, too."

After being recruited to play lacrosse at LVC from his hometown of Wilton, Conn., Oehler was excited to sign up for a "national powerhouse" team at a small college with a good academic reputation where he could be a starter even as a freshman. "We were very competitive freshman year, and sophomore year was even better when the LVC team qualified for the NCAA tournament. In the following couple of years, we tailed off." He was selected all-Middle Atlantic Conference in his junior and senior years, and won some lacrosse awards, but left LVC disappointed. Recruiting efforts had fallen off, the team had shrunk, and the program itself would be gone in another 10 years.


Now that "Lax is Back" at LVC beginning in 2010, future athletes here can experience some of the lifelong benefits Oehler has enjoyed. As he began crisscrossing the country in the early 1980s during his rise in business, it was lacrosse that gave him access to "an instant group of friends" wherever he landed. "One of the first calls I made was to get a hold of a group of guys who were playing lacrosse." Over the years, Oehler moved five or six times and played on eight or ten different teams, including all-star teams.

Lacrosse is still his life, even though he doesn't play as much as he coaches. Now, in keeping with Time Warner's corporate ethic and his lifelong enthusiasm for the sport, he gives back by coaching and serving as 1st vice president on the board of the U.S. Lacrosse New Jersey South Chapter. He helped start a youth lacrosse program in Fair Haven, N.J., and helped launch a varsity program at the local high school. His sons, Steve and Ryan, play, and even his wife, Holly, has no choice but to plaster a "Lacrosse Mom" sticker on her car.



A man with light brown hair, wearing a dark navy blue suit jacket over a light-colored striped shirt, is sitting on a white ledge. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. His hands are clasped in his lap, and he is wearing a watch on his left wrist. The background is a large window looking out onto a city at night, with blurred lights and building structures visible. A semi-transparent blue box with white text is overlaid on the left side of the image.

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A photograph of two young women with long brown hair, smiling at the camera. They are in a chemistry laboratory, with shelves of glassware and books visible in the background. The woman on the left is wearing a white sweater and a pearl necklace. The woman on the right is wearing a maroon sweater.

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JENNIFER DUNNICK '09 (LEFT)

Family Legacies



A few summers ago while she was still in high school, Jennifer Dunnick's father, Robert Dunnick '72, took his family from their West Coast home in La Center, Wash., to see his old stomping grounds in Pennsylvania. One stop was at Lebanon Valley College, where Dunnick, who was an environmental chemical engineer with Ashland Chemical, had been a student.

"I fell in love with it," says Jennifer, now a senior completing a double degree in biology and psychobiology at the Valley. And she's not the only one. Her sister, Katherine '11, also a biology major, soon traveled to the East Coast to join her. Jennifer says her father, who died in

January 2008, had been pleasantly surprised that his daughters embraced his *alma mater*. Among the Dunnicks, the College has been a family affair. Their aunt, Robert's younger sister, Susan Dunnick Clouser of Red Lion, graduated in 1975.

For the Dunnick sisters, attending the College was an easy decision. "They have an amazing science program, which is another reason I moved across the country," Jennifer notes. Katherine says she chose the College because she wanted something new and interesting. "I really like it. We get to know our professors really well," Katherine adds. "I've always been interested in science, and I have found the human body fascinating."

Both sisters have been active in the Student Alumni Association, which Jennifer served as president. Jennifer studied abroad with the College's New Zealand program. She was also a cheerleader in her freshman and sophomore years before devoting more of her time to tutoring freshman biology students. She says that the tutoring involves moral and intellectual support. "A lot of tutoring is telling them they can do it. They can get an 'A' on this test," she says.

Jennifer is now looking at medical schools with the possibility of a research job at the National Institutes of Health as a prelude. Katherine will benefit from the College's new Children of Alumni Award. Beginning in fall 2009, children of alumni will automatically receive \$2,500 per year, for a total of \$10,000 over four years.



Longtime Dean and Legendary Coach George 'Rinso' Marquette Dies

George Reynolds "Rinso" Marquette '48 of Annville, who in his nearly 40-year career at Lebanon Valley College served as an inspirational dean and a legendary coach, died on Nov. 15, 2008. He was 84. Marquette, vice president *emeritus* for student affairs, retired in 1990. He was one of a handful of College leaders in the 20th century who was so closely identified with the Valley that he had an impact on nearly every facet of life here. "He simply is Lebanon Valley College," a colleague said of him nine years ago, when Marquette and his wife, Rufina '51, were guests of honor at the dedication of the new Marquette Residence Hall.

Marquette, a gifted athlete and musician, came to Lebanon Valley College in 1942 after winning a half scholarship in each of those areas. "When I was notified that I had been awarded the [music] scholarship, I knew I would attend Lebanon Valley. My father was a blacksmith and I could not have attended college without some type of significant financial assistance," he told Robert J. Andrew '90 for a commemorative piece in *La Vie Collegienne*. The article, published 18 years ago to mark Marquette's retirement, is the basis for much of what follows.

When Marquette arrived on campus as a freshman from Shamokin in the fall of 1942, he expected to be drafted soon for World War II, and he was. "We were all lined up on the [train] platform on a cold February day waiting to leave. The College gave us a send-off, but it was so cold that the valves on the band instruments froze. It was a solemn time, all of us young men waiting to go out into the unknown, not knowing if we would ever return."

Marquette served for 34 months in England as a radio operator/gunner on bombing missions. On one of those missions Marquette almost lost his life. "Our plane was hit and the oxygen was knocked out so we had to rely on walk-around tanks of oxygen." Wearing his Air Force-issue silk gloves, he grabbed an oxygen tank, but it slid out of his slippery hands and into the bomb bay, out of reach.

"At that moment I knew it was over," recalled Marquette. Luckily, one of the other crew members found oxygen and was able to revive Marquette just minutes before it would have been too late. Being just 19 years old and so close to

death made a deep impression on Marquette. "My life since this incident has been a gift. I made up my mind that if I could be in a position to help someone, the rest of my life would be worthwhile."

As soon as he was discharged from the service, Marquette came back to continue his education at Lebanon Valley College, where he was known as an energetic student with a magnetic personality who liked to be a jokester. He lettered in baseball, playing second base, and scored a career total of 30 points in football. He also captained the basketball team. In addition to being a "terrific trumpeter for the dance band," one of his classmates recalls, Marquette was active in student government. His athletic achievements were to be hailed years later when he was elected to both the LVC and Pennsylvania sports halls of fame.

Lebanon Valley College is the place where Marquette met his future spouse, Rufina F. Balmer. Marquette was a senior when the freshman music major from Lititz arrived on campus. They were married for 57 years.

After graduating in 1948, he took a teaching/coaching job at the former Myerstown High School, where he taught history. While there, Marquette played minor league baseball for the Detroit chain in the Pennsylvania-Ohio-New York League and then in the Canadian-American League. Marquette was summoned by the Detroit chain to go to Panama City, Fla., as a player/coach. He took time off from teaching and spent a year playing baseball full time. "It was the best year of my life. To get up every morning and be a little boy—to play a game and have fun is a great experience."

The scout who signed up Marquette said he was probably the second-best second baseman in the leagues at that time. But, in order even to be considered by the major leagues, Marquette would have to go to spring training and really make an impression. "At the time, I was madly in love," Marquette remembered fondly. Instead of going to spring training, Marquette earned a master's degree in health and physical education at Columbia University in 1951 and then got married. "I have never regretted it," he said.

A year later, Marquette returned to Lebanon Valley College as chairman of the Physical Education Department

and as the head coach for both the baseball and basketball teams. In 1953, during his first year as men's basketball coach, he led the Dutchmen's Seven Dwarfs—no player was over 6 foot 1—to the NCAA playoffs. With an enrollment of just over 400, LVC made history as the smallest college ever to play in the Sweet 16, a feat that can never be duplicated now that the College competes in Division III. Marquette was one of the first to coach the now well-known zone matchup strategy. After upsetting mighty Fordham in the first round, LVC fell to heavily-favored Louisiana State University in the next round.

Marquette continued to coach baseball successfully for four years until he became dean of men in 1956 and he stayed on as basketball coach until 1960. "I suppose his achievements could easily be accounted for by his basketball teams' excellent records, but I think most importantly, Rinso's great accomplishment has been to train students' minds as well as muscles," wrote a fellow student.

After deciding that administration was where he really wanted to be, Marquette earned his doctorate in education

"The greatest job of being in student affairs is seeing the success stories and turnarounds of the students. The students make this job very rewarding." GEORGE 'RINSO' MARQUETTE '48

in 1967 from Temple University. Of the 53 education doctorates Temple awarded that year, Marquette's dissertation was chosen as the most outstanding.

After being promoted to vice president of student affairs in 1984, Marquette described the job as a "weighty position" because his decisions could seriously affect a person's life. "Because of this important responsibility, I always try to leave people with a way out," Marquette reflected. "I know I've been criticized a lot," Marquette continued, "but coaching taught me to handle criticism. I make my decisions based on how I can create good from a situation, not based on how or what others will think of me." His colleagues and students remember him as someone who was caring and brought a sense of family to the College. He recalled, "The greatest job of being in student affairs is seeing the success stories and turnarounds of the students. The students make this job very rewarding."

In the community, Marquette was known for his many years of energetic service to the Annville-Cleona Recreation



Association, where he helped to plan the community swimming pool and organize youth sports.

As he contemplated retirement, Marquette got glassy-eyed when he admitted, "Stepping away will be tough. Lebanon Valley College has really been my life." By the time he retired in 1990, Marquette had helped nine students over a 15-year-period win Fulbright awards. Marquette received the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1993. His name is linked to LVC sports each November for the annual Rinso Marquette Basketball Tournament.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Reynolds B. and his wife, Kala M. Marquette, of Lynchburg, Va.; and Robby L. Marquette of Lebanon; four grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

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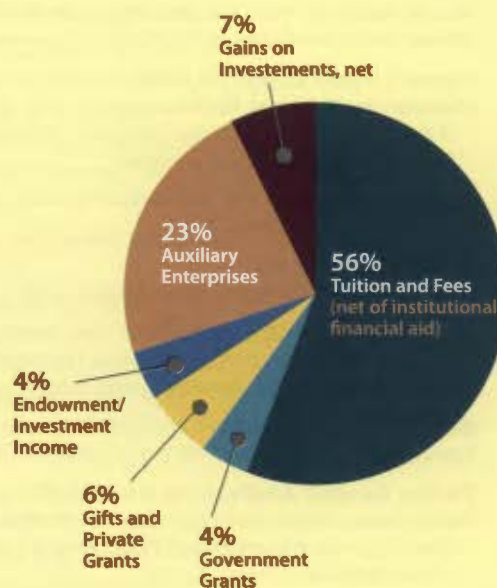
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Statement of Activities

For years ended June 30

REVENUES AND OTHER ADDITIONS

	2008	2007
EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL:		
■ Tuition and Fees (net of institutional financial aid)	\$27,673,672	\$26,300,223
■ Government Grants	2,379,699	2,096,959
■ Gifts and Private Grants	2,825,346	3,036,677
■ Endowment / Investment Income	1,910,867	1,934,139
■ AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES	11,608,764	11,069,775
■ INTEREST ON LOANS	4,532	4,637
■ GAINS ON INVESTMENTS, NET	(1,666,632)	5,806,922
TOTAL REVENUE AND OTHER ADDITIONS	\$44,736,248	\$50,249,332



EXPENDITURES AND OTHER DEDUCTIONS

	2008	2007
EDUCATIONAL AND GENERAL:		
■ Instruction	\$13,549,294	\$12,901,763
■ Academic Support	2,642,630	2,495,888
■ Student Services	5,624,182	5,367,082
■ Public Services	623,477	596,504
■ Operation and Maintenance of Plant	3,972,264	3,647,510
■ General Institution	7,528,799	6,440,216
■ Student Aid (government)	809,445	680,793
■ AUXILIARY ENTERPRISES	7,543,829	7,154,273
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND OTHER DEDUCTIONS	\$42,293,920	\$39,284,029
Change in Net Assets	2,442,328	10,965,303
Net assets beginning of year	\$102,657,382	\$91,692,079
Net assets end of year	\$105,099,710	\$102,657,382

